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SUBJECT: CYPRUS DEMONSTRATION IN STOCKHOLM

1. A GROUP OF ABOUT 200 PERSONS DEMONSTRATED AGAINST US POLICY IN CYPRUS OUTSIDE THE AMERICAN EMBASSY SATURDAY, MARCH 1. THE DEMONSTRATORS, OF WHOM NO MORE THAN HALF APPEARED TO BE GREEK OR CYPRIOT, CARRIED PLACARDS DEMANDING "NATO OUT OF CYPRUS," "HANDS OFF CYPRUS," "WITHDRAW ALL FOREIGN TROOPS FROM CYPRUS," ETC. A HEAVILY REINFORCED POLICE GUARD (WHICH ALMOST EQUALED IN NUMBERS THE DEMONSTRATORS), PREVENTED THE CROWD FROM REACHING THE EMBASSY PROPER. ALTHOUGH THE DEMONSTRATION HAD BEEN BILLED IN THE PRESS AS AIMED AT BOTH THE US AND TURKISH EMBASSIES, THE MARCHERS DID NOT CONVERGE ON THE TURKISH EMBASSY, WHICH IS LOCATED DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE US EMBASSY.

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2. TWO OF THE DEMONSTRATORS PRESENTED A PETITION TO THE EMBASSY CONTAINING THE SAME SLOGANS AS CARRIED ON THE PLACARDS. ALTHOUGH THE PETITION WAS ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE "SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE FOR THE STRUGGLING CYPRIOT PEOPLE," THE ORGANIZATIONS SIGNING IT INCLUDED NO GREEK OR CYPRIOT GROUPS, BUT RATHER VARIOUS LOCAL LEFTIST ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE COMMUNIST YOUTH, THE UNITED FNL, AND THE PALESTINIAN WORKERS GROUP.

3. AFTER PRESENTING THE PETITION, THE DEMONSTRATORS LISTENED TO THEIR LEADERS HARANGUE (IN SWEDISH) THE UNITED STATES, AND THEN DISPERSED PEACEFULLY. THERE WAS NO VIOLENCE AND NO ARRESTS WERE REPORTED.
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